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1. All posts close to Minister President Otto Grotewohl are occupied by SSD (State Security Service) personnel.
2. One SSD functionary, a major, who is rarely exchanged, and four SSD men in uniform, who escort the automobile of the Minister President and are rotated, function as escort personnel.
3. When Grotewohl is in his office, the anteroom is occupied by the SSD major, who checks each visitor and frequently receives SSD couriers. Both he and the courier speak in low voices, creating the impression to all present, including possible visitors, that they are the subject of conversation.
4.  this atmosphere prevails in all offices of the Presidium of the Ministers' Council and has, in many instances, caused nervous breakdowns.

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